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Group No.: 1733

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For: ANISOTROPIC HOMOGENEOUS ELASTOMERIC CLOSED TORUS TIRE DESIGN &
METHOD OF MANUFACTURE

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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. 1.116) for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity. A statement was already filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for one month:

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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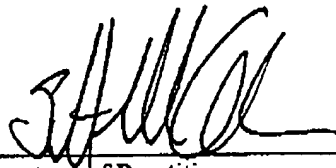
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

This paper is filed responsive to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2003. No claims have been added and as such, no additional claim fees are believed to be due at this time. If any additional fees are required, please charge them to Deposit Account 15-0450. As this response is believed to fully place the application in condition for allowance, reconsideration and favorable action is earnestly requested.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 4 of this paper; and

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.